



Attorney Docket No. UK999-027

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Patent Application**

Applicant(s): H.E. Butterworth et al.  
Docket No.: UK999-027  
Serial No.: 09/401,676  
Filing Date: September 22, 1999  
Group: 2155  
Examiner: Christian A. LaForgia

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited on this date with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Signature: *Lisa L. Tulpis* Date: July 3, 2003

Title: Data Processing Systems and Methods for  
Processing Work Items in Such Systems

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RECEIVED**

JUL 08 2003

Technology Center 2100

Sir:

Submitted herewith are the following documents relating to the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Response to Final Office Action; and
- (2) Notice of Appeal.

In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit **International Business Machines Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510** as required to correct the error. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Wayne L. Ellenbogen*

Date: July 3, 2003

Wayne L. Ellenbogen  
Reg. No. 43,602  
Attorney for Applicant(s)  
Ryan, Mason & Lewis, LLP  
90 Forest Avenue  
Locust Valley, NY 11560  
(516) 759-7662